

UP TO THE OPERATORS

Miners Are Willing to Arbitrate.

A Costly Strike In Anthracite District May Yet be Escaped.

Scranton, Pa., May 8.—The Executive committees of the three districts of the anthracite coal field, representing all of the members of the United Mine Workers in that territory resumed its secret conference this morning. There is much apprehension in business circles all over the anthracite region regarding the outcome of the meeting. Strong influences are at work among the miners to prevent a strike, as it is realized that a tie-up at this time means a long struggle and the consequent paralyzing of business interests. Many of the officials of the miners' union are likewise working to prevent the declaration of a strike. They say that if a strike must come, this is not the time of year to inaugurate it. The fact is pointed out that the consumption of coal is at a minimum during the summer months, whereas, if a strike is deferred until autumn, there is a better chance of securing concessions without a long period of idleness.

There is much speculation as to what will be the action of the union representatives, should they decide that drastic methods are necessary.

Granted that no concession will be made to the men, the miners' officials have only two moves to make unless they declare for or against a strike. They may call another convention, fresh from the rank and file, to decide the matter, or they may send committees of employees to the different coal operators to ask for concessions. Some of the company officials are said to favor the latter plan as a way out for both sides. President Mitchell wields the power of influence over the miners that he has hitherto exercised, and it is conceded that the question of strike or no strike depends almost entirely on the final decision of Mr. Mitchell.

At 10 o'clock the Executive committee took a recess until 1:30 this afternoon. President Mitchell then issued the following statement:

"The Executive committees of the Anthracite Mine Workers' organization have proposed that all questions at issue between themselves and the anthracite coal mine operators be submitted to an impartial board of arbitration, such board to be selected by the industrial branch of the National Civic Federation. This proposition has been submitted to the operators by wire."

The statement was issued by President Mitchell after he had been in communication by long distance telephone with unknown persons. He also received numerous telegrams.

During the recess Mr. Mitchell said the committees are awaiting replies to the proposition embodied in his statement. It is believed here that a means of settling the questions involved without resorting to a strike, has been arrived at.

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OH, WILLIE!

Wouldn't You be Ticked to be a Peer?

New York, May 8.—Coronation rumors are plentiful these days, says a London dispatch to the Herald. The latest is a revival of the statement that William Waldorf Astor will be made a peer in June. Of late Mr. Astor's gifts to scientific, educational and patriotic institutions in Great Britain have been large and numerous.

Rumor still insists that Sir Thomas Lipton will receive a peerage in recognition of his work in connection with the King's dinner to 500,000 people on coronation day.

C-A. ROAD.

N. O. T. Preparing to Receive It.

A Curved Switch at Main and Market.

The N. O. T. Co. on Thursday secured from the City Commissioners permission to tear up the pavement, at the corner of Main and Market sts., to construct a curved switch for the benefit of the Canton-Akron line. The Canton-Akron Co. expects to enter this city Monday, May 12. Its line will connect with the eastern terminus of the N. O. T. line on East Market st., and continue on East Market st. to Main, and on Main to the N. O. T. waiting room.

The Canton-Akron Co. is also extending its line from Canton to New Philadelphia, and from New Philadelphia to Canal Dover.

MANY FRIENDS

Await the American Wife of President Palma In Cuba.

New York, May 8.—"I leave many friends behind, but I go to a country full of them," said Mrs. Tomas Estrada Palma, the first lady of Cuba, who starts today on the steamship Havana for the new republic. "I was not born a Cuban. I have never even been to Cuba," she added, "but I know what my husband has felt, has hoped all these years. When he left me to go there as the president, he kept saying, 'I am surely dreaming.'"

Mme. Palma's home here was in Central Valley, New York, where her husband has for many years conducted a school. Her eldest son, Jose, remains at Columbia University. Her other five children will accompany her to Cuba.

The Queen's Condition.

The Hague, May 8.—The bulletin issued from Castle Loo at 3 p.m. announced that the condition of Queen Wilhelmina continued satisfactory.

Councilman Seidell Will Run For Convention Delegate If Dob Will

In a double-leaded, half column, leading editorial, the Beacon Journal, Tuesday evening, called upon Councilman Hill and Seidell to put their popularity with local Republicans to a test, by running for delegates to Saturday's Republican County Convention.

"By this means," screamed the B. J., in that piercing, hysterical key at which its voice has been pitched for the last three weeks, "they can secure vindication without endangering their seats in the Council, and without causing any expense to the city."

The B. J. further intimated that, being in a position in which they claim to represent the Republicans of their wards, the Councilmen named should not object to the plan suggested.

Councilman Seidell had a hearty laugh when advised by his friends of the Beacon's latest spasm, and declared that he would be willing to test his popularity in that way, upon one condition.

"This condition," said Mr. Seidell, "is that Mr. Dobson also become a candidate in his ward for delegate to the County Republican Convention. Being the owner and the directing head of the organ of the Republican party, Dobson is certainly in a more representative position than I, who am only an humble representative of a ward. I have heard some of my Republican friends say

FELL HEADLONG FROM THE CABLE



The tower from which Achilles Phillon fell. The figure at the top shows the position of Mr. Phillon when the accident occurred, just starting out upon the cable.

DYING FATHER

Sent For His Absent Son

Only to Learn That He, Too, Was Near Death.

Chicago, May 8.—That J. Ladd Stack, a Chicago advertising contractor, who is dying in this city, might see his son, Frank Stack, of Pittsburgh, before he passed away, the police of the eastern city have been asked to find the young man and notify him of his father's condition.

Pittsburgh detectives have located Stack, but learned that he, too, was dying. He was attended by his wife, who said that her husband had lived in Pittsburgh for eight years, but had not heard from his father for a year. Frank Stack is 28 years old and a broker.

Word of the condition of the young man was sent to the relatives in Chicago by his wife.

J. L. Stack is well known in advertising circles in Chicago, and has made his home at the Midlothian Country club for a considerable time.

STRIKE AVERTED.

Concessions Granted to Cleveland Carriage Workers.

Cleveland, O., May 8.—Fifteen shops in this city have granted the demands of the carriage workers for a nine-hour day, and an increase in pay from 22½ cents an hour to 25 and 27 cents. Nine shops refused the demands, but these never employed union men. There will probably be no strike.

SHORTER DAY

Demanding by 400 Strikers In Cleveland.

Cleveland, O., May 8.—Four hundred union metal polishers went on strike here today because their employers refused to grant a nine-hour working day. As a result a number of shops were closed. Several of the larger concerns granted the demand of the men and are not affected.

Achille Phillon Dangerously Hurt at Nashville.

A Great Crowd Was Watching His Performance There

When He Fell Crashing Upon a Ladder Far Beneath Him.

Achille Phillon, the famous spiral tower performer, of Akron, fell from the cable extending from the top of his tower at Nashville, Tenn., Wednesday night, and was very seriously hurt. A special dispatch to the Democrat states that Phillon has been appearing there with the Canton Carnival Co., at the carnival being given by the Order of Eagles. His daily performances were the talk of the city and more than 8000 people remained to see his performance Wednesday night. He ascended the spiral steeply inclined plane with his usual grace and skill and started to roll the sphere upon which he moves up and down the tower, along the narrow, cable-like elevation extending from the top of the tower 50 feet to one side. He seemed to be doing famously and the crowd watched in astonishment. Suddenly a slip of the foot or some momentary hesitation caused Phillon to fall. When he tumbled it was all at once, and like lightning. There was no way of saving himself—no secure footing that he could grasp to try to catch his balance. Headlong, he went down, and the great, startled crowd pressed back while murmurs of horror punctuated by cries of fear swept over the ocean of humanity so suddenly moved from its quiet.

No word came from the equibrist's lips. He did not cry out or even groan. His alert mind knew just what was happening every instant, and frantically he tried to clutch the ropes or wires to prevent himself falling to the ground or to break the force of his descent. He failed, and excited cries burst from the multitude, as the direful crash with which he struck the ladder upon the platform beneath his tower, was heard.

To a very slight extent Phillon broke the force of his fall by holding his hands before him, but the bones of one side of his face were broken and ugly gashes inflicted. An ambulance removed him to a hospital. The report spread about that the injury was fatal, but such is not likely to be the case.

Manager Frank Gaskell of the Canton Carnival Co. telegraphed Mrs. Phillon at her mother's home, 127 Ash st., Akron, and the message was received by her at 2 a. m. Thursday. She left for Nashville at 9 a. m.—the hour of the first train south, but cannot be reached.

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WIESE A CANDIDATE FOR CITY COMMISSIONER

His Friends Say He's Entitled to the Place--Several Other Candidates.

Mr. John S. Wiese (Republican) is seriously a candidate for appointment to the Board of City Commissioners, and his friends are claiming that he is entitled to the place. It is common talk that he was long ago promised something by the present city administration, and the appointment as City Commissioner is the only thing they can see in sight for him at present.

It is said that the administration has several times disappointed Mr. Wiese by neglecting to keep promises made to him, and his friends are now disposed to ask Mayor Doyle and Judge Anderson to keep their words, or else admit that they never intended to do so. It is known that Mr. Wiese has rendered good service to the Republican party, and especially during Mayor Doyle's campaign. Now he will ask that some appreciation of that service be shown.

It is claimed that Mr. Wiese was promised the position of Mayor's clerk and was disappointed; next he was assured the united support of the administration if he would become a candidate for City Clerk; failing in this, he was promised the position of Sanitary

Policeman, but his aspiration for this place was defeated by the Democrats. It will be seen that his only chance for immediate recognition is to receive an appointment as City Commissioner. It is claimed by his friends that Mr. Wiese is eminently qualified for the office, that he has a good education and splendid knowledge of business.

There will be two new Commissioners appointed as soon as the Legislature adjourns. They will take the places of Messrs. McMillen and McFarland, whose terms have expired, but who are serving until their successors are appointed. Mayor Doyle said recently that Mr. McFarland was not a candidate for re-appointment, that he had promised when he received the appointment to serve out the unexpired term of Mr. McGarry, that he would not be a candidate for re-appointment.

The Democratic candidates who have been announced thus far are Messrs. J. C. Weber and John Cook. Republican candidates are Messrs. L. D. Seward, Wm. Wildes, and John S. Wiese. There are probably more candidates from both parties, but these names have not yet been given to the public.

WHY HE VOTED NO.

"I'm In Favor of Giving the Soft Snaps to Old Men," Said Mr. McMillen.

The City Commissioners Thursday appointed Mr. Chas. H. Morton inspector of the sewer to be constructed in Locust st., and Mr. Albert Peterson was appointed inspector for the Campbell st. sewer. They will each receive \$250 a day.

In voting on the recommendation to appoint these gentlemen, Commissioner McMillen voted no in each instance. When asked if his voting as he did was for a special purpose, Mr. McMillen replied, "I voted no, because both applicants are young, husky men. I have nothing against either of them personally, but I take the position that soft snaps, such as sewer inspectorships, should be given to old men, who are unable to perform hard labor, and who need the employment."

BIG BILL

The bill for the first week at Summit Lake Park Casino, which will open Monday, May 12, is said to be of unusual merit, and will consist of the Bruns and Nina vaudeville, comprising seven big acts.

Several improvements have been made at this resort, including more stage room, larger dressing rooms, and better railway facilities for taking care of the crowds. Many big attractions are promised for the season.

WANT ALL

Tucker-Anthony People Are Now After N. O. T.

A party of nearly a dozen Eastern capitalists, connected with the Tucker-Anthony syndicate of Boston, inspected the N. O. T. lines Thursday. The Tucker-Anthony people have been negotiating quietly for the N. O. T. property for several weeks, and it would not be surprising if they would become the purchasers.

The option given to the Cleveland capitalists, headed by Mr. Horace Andrews, has expired, and it is believed that the Tucker-Anthony syndicate has taken the lead in the negotiations for the property. The Eastern syndicate purchased the Canton-Akron line of the N. O. T. Co., and also purchased the Cleveland & Massillon lines. It can easily be seen how it would be a good thing for them to own the N. O. T. property, as they would then be able to control the entire system of urban and interurban street car lines of Akron, Canton, Massillon and smaller towns. They would have an almost direct line from Canton to Cleveland through Akron, by connecting the Canton-Akron with the A. B. & C.

From here, the inspection party went to Canton and Massillon to look over their lines in those cities.

Hetty Green Will Carry a Revolver

New York, May 8.—Mrs. Hetty Green, the noted woman of finance, has been granted a permit to carry a revolver, by the Police department of this city. Mrs. Green applied for a permit a week ago to Capt. Stephen O'Brien of the Leonard st. station and it was on his recommendation that

the permit was given. Capt. O'Brien's report on the application says Mrs. Green declared she was in the habit of carrying large sums of money, stocks, bonds and jewelry. She also said it was her intention to secure pistol permits in all the large cities in which she does business.

Hunger and Suffering In Alaskan Gold Fields.

Port Townsend, Wash., May 8.—Two steamers have arrived from Skagway, the City of Seattle and the Dolphin. On board the City of Seattle was Governor John G. Brady, of Alaska, who is on his way to Ashland, Ore., to join his family.

Reports brought by the steamers from Skagway says there is an army of the men at White Horse and many of them destitute. They walked from

Skagway and shipped their baggage by train and they have no money with which to get their baggage out of the warehouse or to purchase meats.

The situation is growing more serious as recruits are daily arriving. Advances from Dawson, under date of April 27, are to the effect that the country is drenched with water. Starving has commenced and from \$10,000,000 to \$12,000,000 in dirt is ready to wash.

HELLO!

Have You Received Your New 'Phone Directory?

The Central Union Telephone Co., has just completed a brand new directory of the phones in Akron, Barberton and Cuyahoga Falls, and these are now

being distributed. The general form of the print is similar thereto to that of the last lot, and the little books are very compact, all of the information given being condensed as much as possible.

THE WEATHER:

FAIR TOMORROW; WARMER.